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C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 4158

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, CASC, SU, UG
SUBJECT: SUDANESE C-130 TRIP TO UGANDA

REF: (A) KHARTOUM 4143, (B) STATE 228672

1. SAF OPERATIONS OFFICER INFORMED DATT SATURDAY AM THAT
SUBJECT FLIGHT HAS BEEN POSTPONED, BUT IT NOT RPT NOT
KNOWN WHEN IT WILL BE RESCHEDULED. THEREFORE, IMMEDIATE PROBLEM
HAS EVAPORATED.

2. LONGER TERM QUESTION REMAINS, HOWEVER. WE WELL AWARE
OF ISSUES DISCUSSED PARA 1 REF B. WE SHALL ALSO BRING OUR
CONCERNS TO SAF ATTENTION AND SHALL URGE IT TO CONSIDER USING
ONLY SUDANESE CREWS ON FLIGHTS TO UGANDA, AND IF LOCKHEED
PERSONNEL MUST GO TO UGANDA THAT SAF MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO
ASSURE THEY PROPERLY TREATED WHILE THERE.

3. COMMENT: WE ASSUME UGANDA AUTHORITIES WOULD NOT RPT NOT
WISH HARM RELATIONS WITH SUDAN BY MISTREATING LOCKHEED PER-
SONNEL. WE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT DAMAGING PEACE PILLAR
PROGRAM BY APPEARING TO TRY TO DICTATE WHAT FOR
SUDANESE ARE ROUTINE MILITARY OPERATIONS NOT RPT NOT
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INVOLVING COMBAT. IN SHORT, AS REF B SUGGESTS WE MUST
TRY TO BALANCE TWO RATHER CONTRADICTORY SETS OF PROBLEMS.
WE SHALL USE REF B GUIDANCE IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH SAF
ON THIS QUESTION.
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